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In re Application of:
M. YOKOI, et al.

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For: Immunoassay Reagents And Immunoassay Method

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AMENDMENT

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NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of
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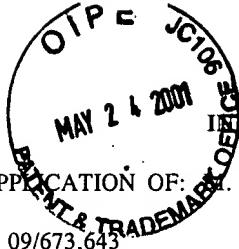
Responsive to the official Office Action mailed January 25, 2001, (the time for response to which having been extended by virtue of a petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and requisite fee filed herewith), in the matter of the above-identified application, kindly amend the same as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel Claims 7 and 8 and rewrite Claims 1, 2, 3, 4 and 11 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) An immunoassay reagent for use in a quantitative determination of a target antigen or antibody present in a sample, said reagent comprising the following components:

(a) An insoluble carrier which carries an enzyme and an antibody or antigen reactive with said target antigen or antibody, said insoluble carrier comprising at least one selected from the group consisting of an organic polymer powder article, microorganism, blood cell and cell membrane fragment;



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TRANSMITTED HERewith IS AN ☒ AMENDMENT, ☐ REPLY, ☐ AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION IN THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.

THE FEE HAS BEEN CALCULATED AS SHOWN BELOW:

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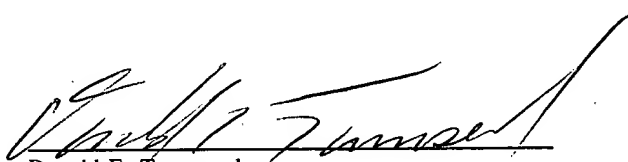
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-1424. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

- ☒ Any additional filing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.
- ☒ Any extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.

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